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During the persecution of Protestants in Scotland, William Brown and his wife fled and settled near Londonderry, in Ireland, where they had two sons, William and James. James married Jennett Stevenson, by whom he had seven sons, without a daughter, to wit: William, Samuel (who died early), Samuel, David, Alexander, Benjamin, and John. Of these Samuel, Alexander, Benjamin, and John emigrated to America. John was the only son who obtained a profession, that of a divine, which he pursued with laborous zeal for upwards of fifty years.'

Rev. John' Brown was eminently distinguished for many years, both in Virginia and Kentucky, as a Presbyterian minister of piety and talents. He was a graduate of Nassau Hall, Princeton, in 1749, and a licentiate of the New Castle Presbytery, which, along with the New Brunswick and New York presbyteries, supplied missionaries to the Timber Ridge neighborhood of Augusta County, Virginia. In 1753 the Timber Ridge congregation united with that of New Providence in presenting a call through the Presbytery to Rev. Brown, who had visited the frontier and was willing to cast his lot among them.² Consequently, at the age of twenty-five, he became their first pastor. He was united in marriage to Margaret Preston, who was born in Ireland in 1730, the second daughter of John and Elizabeth (Patton) Preston.³ She was a lady of strong intellect, cultivated mind, and much energy of character.

For a succession of years Rev. Brown served the two congregations, which were adjoining, and each very extensive. His residence was about a quarter of a mile from the north end of the village of Fairfield, in the direction of New Providence, being a very convenient position for his extensive charge. In 1767 some difficulty arose between Rev. Brown and the Timber Ridge congregation, and he withdrew from the ministerial care of that people, although they petitioned against his withdrawal, and confined his labors to New Providence the remainder of his active life.⁴

Rev. Brown kept up a flourishing "grammar school" near his residence, which was adopted in 1774 by the Presbytery of Hanover, after they had been engaged for some years on the subject of founding a literary institution, the location of which should be in the Great Valley of Virginia. In the fall of that year, Rev. William Graham was invited to engage in the classical school under the direction of Rev. Brown.⁵ In 1777 the school was removed to Timber Ridge, and from thence to the neighborhood of Lexington, also in Virginia. The councils and efforts of the Presbytery resulted first in the establishment of Liberty Hall Academy, and ultimately in Washington and Lee University.⁶

In 1796 Rev. Brown, weighed down with the infirmities of age, resigned his charge of New Providence, and soon followed his children to Kentucky, where he settled in Woodford County and spent the remainder of his days there and in Frankfort.⁷ He became affiliated with the historic Pisgah Church in his new location and served faithfully until his death at "Liberty Hall," Frankfort, in 1803, in the 75th year of his age. His wife preceded him to the grave, dying in 1802, in her 73rd year. Both were buried in the Pisgah Church yard, and a suitable monument erected to their memory, but some years later their remains were removed to the Frankfort Cemetery.⁸ Rev. John and Margaret Preston Brown were the parents of eleven children, seven of whom reached maturity:⁹

I. Elizabeth² Brown, born December 4, 1755, married Thomas B. Craighead, of Tennessee, a well-known Presbyterian divine, and left seven children.¹⁰

II. and III. James² and John² Brown, born September 12, 1757.¹¹ John² Brown famous as a lawyer and politician in Virginia and Kentucky, married Margaretta Mason, of New York, by whom he had five children, only two of whom arrived at maturity.¹² John² Brown, in 1796, built "Liberty Hall," Frankfort, Kentucky, as a home for himself, his father and mother and youngest brother, Preston (W.)² Brown.

IV. William² Brown, born November 22, 1759.¹³

V. William² Brown, born November 22, 1760, was educated at Princeton, studied medicine and commenced the practice in South Carolina with fair prospects of success, but died shortly afterwards, unmarried.¹⁴

VI. Mary² Brown, born July 14, 1763, married Dr. Alexander Humphreys, an eminent physician of Staunton, Virginia, and after his death removed to Kentucky with her family, consisting of seven children.¹⁵

VII. James² Brown, born September 11, 1766, was a distinguished lawyer, and first Secretary of State of Kentucky. He married Ann Hart, daughter of Colonel Thomas Hart, but left no family.¹⁶

VIII. Samuel² Brown, born January 30, 1769, was an eminent physician, and professor in the Medical school of Transylvania. He married Catherine Percy, of Alabama and Mississippi, and left one son and one daughter.¹⁷

IX. David² Brown, born July 8, 1772.¹⁸

X. Eben² Brown, born April 27, 1773.¹⁹

XI. Preston [W.]² Brown, born January 15, 1775. He is the subject of this sketch.

DR. PRESTON W.² BROWN, the youngest child of Rev. John and Margaret Preston Brown, was born in Augusta County, Virginia, in that part now incorporated in Rockbridge County. He was educated in his father's school,²⁰ and studied medicine under his brother-in-law, Dr. Alexander Humphreys, of Staunton, Virginia, and Dr. Rush, of Philadelphia. He emigrated to Kentucky with his father, and settled in Woodford County. After his marriage²¹ on October 13, 1802, to Elizabeth Watts, daughter of Colonel William Watts²² and his wife, Mary

Scott Watts,²³ of Flat Creek, Campbell County, Virginia, who brought him wealth and connection with a large and prominent family, they resided at "Sumners Forest"²⁴ in Woodford County, where Dr. Brown enjoyed a large practice, there and in nearby Frankfort.²⁵ About 1818 he removed to Frankfort, expecting a broader field for one of his talents and profession, but continued to hold in his possession the old homestead in Woodford County.²⁶ He died September 23, 1826, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, whither he had moved that year.²⁷ After Dr. Brown's death, Mrs. Brown resided in Frankfort most of the time until after her death in May, 1843.²⁸

The five children of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown were: 1, Louisa V.³, who married Judge James Rucks, of Mississippi; 2, Henrietta³, who married Judge William Brown Reese, of Knoxville, Tennessee; 3, Mary Watts³, who married Orlando Brown, Esq., of Frankfort, Kentucky; 4, Elizabeth Watts³, who married Robert W. Scott, Esq., of Franklin County, Kentucky; and 5, John Preston Watts³, who married Jane Nichol, of Nashville, Tennessee.

1. LOUISA V.³ BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown, married in 1827 Judge James Rucks, as his second wife. He was born September 27, 1791, in Smith County, Tennessee, and died in April, 1862, at his plantation "Three Oaks," on Deer Creek, now Leland, Washington County, Mississippi. They were the parents of six children: (1) Elizabeth (Bettie) Brown⁴ Rucks, (2) Preston Brown⁴ Rucks, (3) Maria Louise⁴ Rucks, (4) Henrietta⁴ Rucks, (5) Marian⁴ Rucks, and, (6) Lewis Taylor⁴ Rucks.

(1) ELIZABETH (BETTIE) BROWN⁴ RUCKS was born August 9, 1828, in Frankfort, Kentucky. She died at Friars Point, Mississippi, in 1882, and was buried in "Elmwood," Memphis, Tennessee. She married in January, 1846, Alexander Yerger, who was born in Lebanon, Tennessee, in 1825; died at Rosedale, Mississippi, in January, 1888, and was buried in Memphis, Tennessee.²⁹ Their children were: 1, William Arthur⁵, 2, Malvina⁵, 3, Mary⁵, 4, Maria Louise⁵, 5, Edwin⁵, 6, James Rucks⁵, 7, Amanda⁵, and 8, Alexander⁵.

1. William Arthur⁵ Yerger married Kate Otey, adopted

daughter of Dr. Otey, of Memphis, Tennessee. Their children were: (1) Bettie⁶, (2) Mal⁶, and (3) Katie Mae⁶.

(1) Bettie⁶ Yerger married Chris Walker, and they had Mal⁷, who was twice married, and Christine⁷.

(2) Mal Yerger⁶ married Elbert Reams, and had two children, Dorothy⁷ and Elbert⁷.

(3) Katie Mae⁶ Yerger married Joe Eddins, and they were the parents of two children: Kate Otey⁷, who married a Shattuck, and Joe Eddins, Jr.⁷

2. Malvina⁵ Yerger was born January 24, 1849, at "Three Oaks"; died at Jackson, Mississippi, March 19, 1928; and was buried at Mausoleum, Memphis, Tennessee. She was married at "Three Oaks" plantation on March 10, 1870, to Charles Scott, who was born November 7, 1847, son of the High Chancellor of Mississippi, Charles Scott,³⁰ and his wife, Elizabeth Bullus Scott. Their children were: (1) Alexander Yerger⁶, (2) Elizabeth Bullus⁶, (3) Malvina May⁶, and (4) Charlie⁶ (girl).

(1) Alexander Yerger⁶ Scott, lawyer and planter, was born in Washington County, Mississippi, December 17, 1870; died August 5, 1930, at Glenwood Springs, Colorado; and was buried in Memphis, Tennessee. He married in June, 1911, Elizabeth Carroll, of Memphis. They had no issue.

(2) Elizabeth Bullus⁶ Scott was born January 3, 1875; died June 21, 1903; and was buried at Memphis, Tennessee. She married Edgar Woods, and they had three children, all of whom died in infancy.

(3) Malvina May⁶ Scott was born January 9, 1878, at Rosedale, Mississippi, and married at that place Judge Eugene Octave Sykes on November 17, 1903. He was born July 16, 1876, at Aberdeen, Mississippi, son of Judge E. O. Sykes³¹ and his wife, India Rogers. Their three children were: 1, Charles Scott⁷, 2, Octavia⁷, and 3, Malvina Yerger⁷. 1. Charles Scott⁷ Sykes was born March 13, 1906, at Aberdeen, Mississippi, and married April 3, 1937, Kate Farnsworth, of Memphis, Tennessee. Their daughter, Cynthia,⁸ was born May 3, 1938. 2. Octavia⁷ Sykes was born November 4, 1908, at Aberdeen, Mississippi. She married June 19, 1929, at Washington, D. C., Thomas Stevenson, of Maryland. Their two children: Octave

Sykes^a Stevenson and Eugene Octave Sykes^a Stevenson, were both born in Washington, the former on April 27, 1930, and the latter on October 24, 1932. 3. Malvina Yerger⁷ Sykes was born January 16, 1911, at Aberdeen, Mississippi.

(4) Charlie^e Scott (girl) was born April 11, 1878, at Rose-dale, Mississippi, and there married on April 25, 1911, Dr. David Meriwether Henning, who was born October 12, 1875, at Memphis, Tennessee. Their three children were: 1, Charlie Scott⁷ (girl), 2, Cornelia Frayser⁷, and 3, Elizabeth Scott⁷. 1. Charlie Scott⁷ Henning was born October 22, 1912, and married Horace G. Sullivan, June 19, 1937, at Memphis, Tennessee. Their son, Alexander Scott^a Sullivan, was born February 3, 1939. 2. Cornelia Frayser⁷ Henning was born March 3, 1915, at Memphis, Tennessee, and there married Lieutenant Jack Roberts, of the Army Air Corps, on October 21, 1936. 3. Elizabeth Scott⁷ Henning was born January 22, 1919, at Memphis, Tennessee.

3. Mary⁵ Yerger, daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Brown Rucks⁴ Yerger, was twice married, but had issue only by her first husband, Oscar D. Thomas. They were: (1) Elizabeth⁶, (2) Oscar D.⁶, Jr., (3) Felicia⁶, and (4) Mary⁶.

(1) Elizabeth⁶ Thomas married N. B. Scott; they had no issue.

(2) Oscar D.⁶ Thomas, Jr., married Marian Shelton. Their son, Oscar D.⁷ Thomas III, married, and had children.

(3) Felicia⁶ Thomas married, and had issue.

(4) Mary Thomas⁶, married.

4. Maria Louise⁵ Yerger, fourth child of Alexander and Elizabeth Brown Rucks⁴ Yerger, was born September 17, 1852, and died April 14, 1920, at Chicago, Illinois. She married on November 9, 1875, Daniel Adams Scott (brother of the foregoing Charles Scott). They had six daughters, and one son who died young: (1) Nettie M.⁶, (2) Charline⁶, (3) Elizabeth⁶, (4) Anna Louise⁶, (5) Malvina⁶, and (6), Mary⁶.

(1) Nettie M.⁶ Scott, married A. P. Ganong; no issue; died 1930.

(2) Charline⁶ Scott, born August, 1879; died October, 1936; married George Clinton; no issue.

(3) Elizabeth⁶ Scott was born March 19, 1883, at Friars Point, Mississippi; married November 14, 1906, at Clarksdale, Mississippi, to Emmet Taylor, of Memphis, Tennessee. They had one son and two daughters: Elizabeth Scott⁷ Taylor, who married Haskell Righter, and had issue; Sarah Louise⁷ Taylor, who married Robert Crump, and had issue; Daniel Adams Scott⁷ Taylor, who married Justine Holloway, and had issue.

(4) Anna Louise⁶ Scott was born June 17, 1889, at Friars Point, Mississippi, and married E. T. Konsburg, of Chicago, on June 26, 1912. Their children were, 1, Louise⁷ and 2, E. T. Konsburg, Jr.⁷

(5) Malvina⁶ Scott married a Barrett, and died in 1934; no issue.

(6) Mary⁶ Scott married first Paul Wilder, and second T. Buckingham, having one child by each marriage.

5. Edwin⁵ Yerger, son of Alexander and Elizabeth Brown Rucks⁴ Yerger, married Nina Maynard, of Friars Point, Mississippi. Their children were: (1) Warrene⁶, (2) Margary⁶, (3) Nina⁶, (4) Mary⁶, (5) Edwin⁶, and a son, who was killed during World War I.

(1) Warrene⁶ Yerger married John Stansell, and had several children.

(2) Margary⁶ Yerger married a Reed, and had issue.

(3) Nina⁶ Yerger married Will Robinson, of Memphis, Tennessee, and had issue.

(4) Mary⁶ Yerger married a Robinson, and had issue.

(5) Edwin⁶ Yerger married, had no issue.

6. James Rucks⁵ Yerger, son of Alexander and Elizabeth Brown Rucks⁴ Yerger, married Hyacinth McGuire, and had three children: (1) Charlie⁶ (2) Rucks⁶, and (3) Hyacinth⁶,

(1) Charlie⁶ Yerger married, and had issue.

(2) Rucks⁶ Yerger married, and had issue.

(3) Hyacinth⁶ Yerger married a McCormack, and their daughter, Hyacinth⁷, also married.

7. Amanda⁵, and 8, Alexander⁵, children of Alexander and Elizabeth Brown Rucks⁴ Yerger, died without issue.

(2) PRESTON BROWN⁴ RUCKS, son of Judge James and Louisa V. Brown³ Rucks, was born February 19, 1832, and died a minor.

(3) MARIA LOUISE⁴ RUCKS, daughter of Judge James and Louisa V. Brown³ Rucks, was born April 14, 1836, and was twice married: first to James R. Yerger, and second to Dr. Dubois. No issue by either marriage. She founded a girls school at Monteagle, Tennessee.

(4) HENRIETTA⁴ RUCKS, daughter of Judge James and Louisa V. Brown³ Rucks, was born January 31, 1838, and married William Swan Yerger. Their children were: 1, Marian⁵, 2, Sally⁵, and 3, Edward⁵.

1. Marian⁵ Yerger married Oliver Clifton, and they had four children: (1) Chalmers⁶, (2) Yerger⁶, (3) Percy⁶, and (4) Marian⁶.

(1) Chalmers⁶ Clifton married; no issue.

(2) Yerger⁶ Clifton married, and had three children: Sudie⁷, Judie⁷, and Yerger, Jr.⁷

(3) Percy⁶ Clifton married Mable Gayden, had one child.

(4) Marian⁶ Clifton married Brook Burwell, and had two daughters, Marian⁷ and Brook⁷.

2. Sally⁵ Yerger. (No further data available.)

3. Edward⁵ Yerger married Nannie Campbell; they had four children: (1) Chalmers,⁶ (2) Yerger,⁶ (3) Percy,⁶ and (4) Henrietta⁶.

(1) Campbell⁶ Yerger married, and had one child, Claudia Nash⁷.

(2) Edward⁶ Yerger, Jr., married Katherine Vickers, and had three children, Edward III⁷, Kathryn V.⁷, and Mark Campbell⁷.

(3) Wirt⁶ Yerger married Rivers Applewhite, and had four children: Wirt Adams⁷ Yerger, Will Swann⁷ Yerger, Ivan Bass⁷ Yerger, and Rivers Gay⁷ Yerger.

(4) Henrietta⁶ Yerger married Evander Lewis, and had two children: Nancy⁷ and Evander, Jr.⁷

(5) MARIAN⁴ RUCKS, daughter of Judge James and Louisa V.³ Brown Rucks, was born March 6, 1840, and married Frank

Valliant, of Greenville, Mississippi, January 17, 1861. She died April 17, 1918. They were the parents of, 1, Leroy⁵, 2, Fannie⁵, 3, Henry⁵, 4, Mary⁵, and 5, Louise⁵.

1. Leroy⁵ Valliant, born October 5, 1861, died in infancy.

2. Fannie⁵ Valliant (twin sister) married Basil Gordon, January 26, 1888, and died February 25, 1917. Their five children were: (1) Frank⁶, (2) Marian⁶, (3) Katherine⁶, (4) Bennell⁶, and (5) Basil⁶.

(1) Frank⁶ Gordon was born May 2, 1889, and married Gladys Bradley. They had three children: Frank Jr.⁷, Gladys⁷, and John⁷.

(2) Marian⁶ Gordon was born December 19, 1891, and married W. L. Shelton, of Greenville, Tennessee. Of their three children: Marian⁷, Walter L. Jr.⁷, and Frances⁷, the latter married Conwell Sykes, and had one daughter, Marian Gordon⁸ Sykes.

(3) Katherine⁶ Gordon, died as a child.

(4) Bennell Taylor⁶ Gordon. (No further data.)

(5) Basil⁶ Gordon, died as a child.

3. Henry (Hal)⁵ Valliant was born March 6, 1866, and married Lilly English, of Aberdeen, Mississippi, on November 7, 1904. Their children were:

(1) Mary⁶ Valliant, died as a child.

(2) Louise⁶ Valliant, married and lived in California.

(3) Hal E.⁶ Valliant, married and lived in Greenville, Mississippi.

(4) James⁶ Valliant, and (5) Beverly⁶ Valliant, who resided in Beaumont, California.

4. Mary⁵ Valliant married Harvey Miller, of Greenville, Mississippi, December 19, 1893. She died February 8, 1905. They were the parents of four children: (1) Marian V.⁶, (2) Robert V.⁶, (3) Harvey⁶, and (4), Elizabeth Louise⁶.

(1) Marian V.⁶ Miller married Joe Galbreath. They resided at Houston, Texas, and were the parents of two children: Marian⁷ and Katherine⁷.

(2) Robert V.⁶ Miller married Miss Dick Wetherford, of Austin, Texas, and they had two children: Robert V.⁷ and William⁷.

(3) Harvey Miller⁶, unmarried, San Antonio, Texas.

(4) Elizabeth Louise⁶ Miller married Vail Delong, of Providence, Louisiana, and they were the parents of two daughters: Elizabeth⁷ and Vail⁷.

5. Louise Valliant⁵ was born December 28, 1870, and married Herbert Eskrigge, of England, at Greenville, Mississippi, April 4, 1899. Their two children were (1) Eleanor⁶ Valliant, and (2) Louise Worthington⁶.

(1) Eleanor⁶ Valliant Eskrigge, died young.

(2) Louise⁶ Worthington Eskrigge was twice married; first to William R. Smith, on August 8, 1923, by whom she had one son, Richard Eskrigge⁷ Smith; and secondly to Brodie Crump, of Greenville, Mississippi, in February, 1938.

(6) LEWIS TAYLOR⁴ RUCKS, son of Judge James and Louisa V. Brown³ Rucks, was born November 26, 1841. He was a Confederate soldier, and was killed while trying to settle a dispute between two friends. The Greenville, Mississippi, U. D. C. Chapter is named for him. He did not marry.

2. HENRIETTA³ BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown, married Judge William Brown Reese, of Tennessee, as his second wife. They were the parents of two daughters: (1) Louisa⁴, and (2) Laura⁴.

(1) LOUISA⁴ REESE, never married.

(2) LAURA⁴ REESE married Dr. Cook, of Franklin, Tennessee, and had one son, Richard⁵ Cook.

3. MARY WATTS³ BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown, married her cousin, Orlando³ Brown,³² son of Senator John² Brown, in Frankfort, July 28, 1830. Orlando³ Brown was born September 26, 1801, and died July 26, 1867, at his home in Frankfort, which his father had built for him in 1835. He was a graduate of Princeton, and studied medicine under his uncle, Dr. Preston W.² Brown, but abandoned it as unsuited to his taste. He read law, and removed to Alabama to engage in practice, but returned to his native city in a few years, where he became joint proprietor and editor of the *Frankfort Commonwealth* in 1833. He later served as Secretary of State of Kentucky and Commissioner of

Indian Affairs of the United States. Orlando³ Brown was born at "Liberty Hall." Four children were born to the union of Mary Watts³ Brown and Orlando³ Brown: (1) Euphemia H.⁴, (2) John Preston⁴, (3) Mason Preston⁴, and (4) Orlando, Jr.⁴

(1) EUPHEMIA H.⁴ BROWN, died young.

(2) JOHN PRESTON⁴ BROWN, died in infancy.

(3) MASON PRESTON⁴ BROWN was born in 1836 and died in 1874. He was for a number of years the efficient Chief Clerk of the Treasury of Kentucky, and for a time the Treasurer, under an appointment to fill a vacancy.

(4) ORLANDO⁴ BROWN, JR., was a distinguished officer of a Kentucky regiment during the Civil War, and displayed unusual aptitude for military command. He married Betty Hord, daughter of Judge Lysander Hord, on January 2, 1867, in Frankfort, Kentucky, and they were the parents of the following children, none of whom ever married:

1. Anne⁵ Brown, lives in the old family home, Frankfort.

2. Mary Watts⁵ Brown, lives in the old family home, Frankfort.

3. Orlando⁵ Brown III, died in infancy.

4. Lysander Hord⁵ Brown.

5. Mason Preston⁵ Brown, died in Frankfort in 1941.

4. ELIZABETH WATTS³ BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown, was born July 3, 1811, at "Sumners Forest" in Woodford County, Kentucky. She married Robert Wilmot Scott at Frankfort on October 28, 1831, and died there December 25, 1886.³³ Robert Wilmot Scott was born November 2, 1808, at "Mill Farm" in Scott County, Kentucky, and died November 9, 1884,³⁴ at the home of his son-in-law, S. I. M. Major, in Frankfort. They resided at "Scotland," five miles from Frankfort, on the Versailles Road, on a farm (previously called "Locust Hill," the home of Martin D. Hardin), which they bought in 1836. In 1840 the original home was replaced with a twenty-five room brick mansion, which was finished about 1845, and is still standing. Their children were: (1) Preston Brown⁴, (2) Joel T.⁴, (3) John O.⁴, (4) Mary Brown⁴, (5) Eleanora Rebecca⁴, (6) Elizabeth

Brown⁴, (7) Louise Rucks⁴, (8) Susan B.⁴, and (9) Henrietta Reese⁴.

(1) DR. PRESTON BROWN⁴ SCOTT was born September 12, 1832, at "Sumners Forest" in Woodford County, Kentucky, and died September 24, 1900, in Louisville, Kentucky.³⁵ He married, on November 13, 1862, Jane E. Campbell, daughter of John W. and Jane Porter Campbell, of Jackson, Tennessee.³⁶ She was born July 25, 1840, and died March 3, 1907, at Atlanta, Georgia.³⁷ Dr. Scott lived in Columbus, Kentucky, in 1858 and 1859, and afterwards removed to Louisville, where he resided until his death.³⁸ Their children were: 1, Elizabeth Preston⁵, 2, Jane Porter⁵, 3, Marian Sterling⁵, 4, Campbell⁵, and 5, Rumsey Wing⁵.

1. Elizabeth Preston⁵ Scott, died in infancy.

2. Jane Porter⁵ Scott was born in 1865 in Mississippi, and died in 1928 in Atlanta, Georgia. She married, in 1900, Frank L. Woodruff, of Memphis, Tennessee, where both are buried. No children.

3. Marian Sterling⁵ Scott, born 1866, died, 1867.

4. Campbell⁵ Scott was born April 14, 1869, in Louisville, Kentucky.³⁹ He married on October 19, 1893, Nellie Mansfield Smith, daughter of Dr. Henry A. and Lucy Tomlinson Smith, of Cincinnati, Ohio. They had two children: (1) Eleanor Preston⁶, and (2) Preston Henry⁶.

(1) Eleanor Preston⁶ Scott was born August 21, 1894, in Louisville, Kentucky. She was married in June, 1915, to Reginald Wadsworth Cauchois, of New York City,⁴⁰ and they resided in that state. Four children were born to the union: Eleanor Wadsworth⁷, Wadsworth Scott⁷, Frances Preston⁷, and Reginald Wadsworth, Jr.⁷—Eleanor Wadsworth⁷ Cauchois, born September 16, 1916, in New York City, and there married Charles George Aubry, December 18, 1937, residence, Yonkers, New York; Wadsworth Scott⁷ Cauchois, born at Yonkers, New York, April 23, 1919; Frances Preston⁷ Cauchois, born at Yonkers, October 13, 1922; Reginald Wadsworth⁷ Cauchois, Jr., born at Yonkers, November 25, 1928.

(2) Preston Henry⁶ Scott was born February 28, 1902, at East Orange, New Jersey. He married, on November 15, 1929, Margaret Carr, daughter of Thomas Francis Carr, of New York



DR. PRESTON W. BROWN (1775-1826), son of Rev. John and Margaret Preston Brown. From a portrait by Matthew H. Jouett, owned by Campbell Scott, New York.



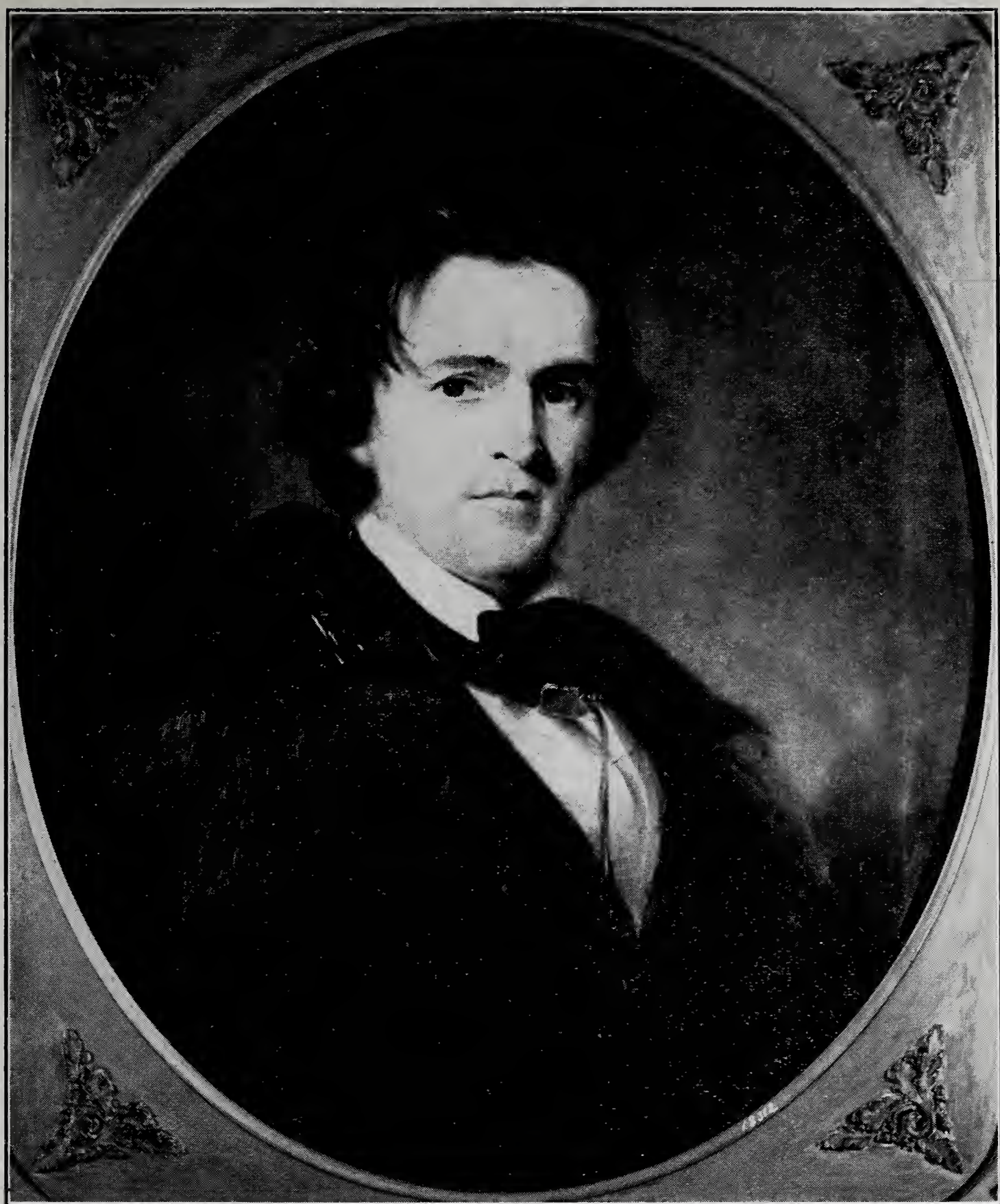
HENRIETTA BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W. and Elizabeth Watts Brown, and wife of Judge William Brown Reese. Portrait owned by Mrs. Burnett Wiley, Buffalo, New York.



LOUISA V. BROWN (1803-1849), daughter of Dr. Preston W. and Elizabeth Watts Brown. In 1827 she married Judge James Rucks. Portrait owned by Mrs. Burnett Wiley, Buffalo, New York.



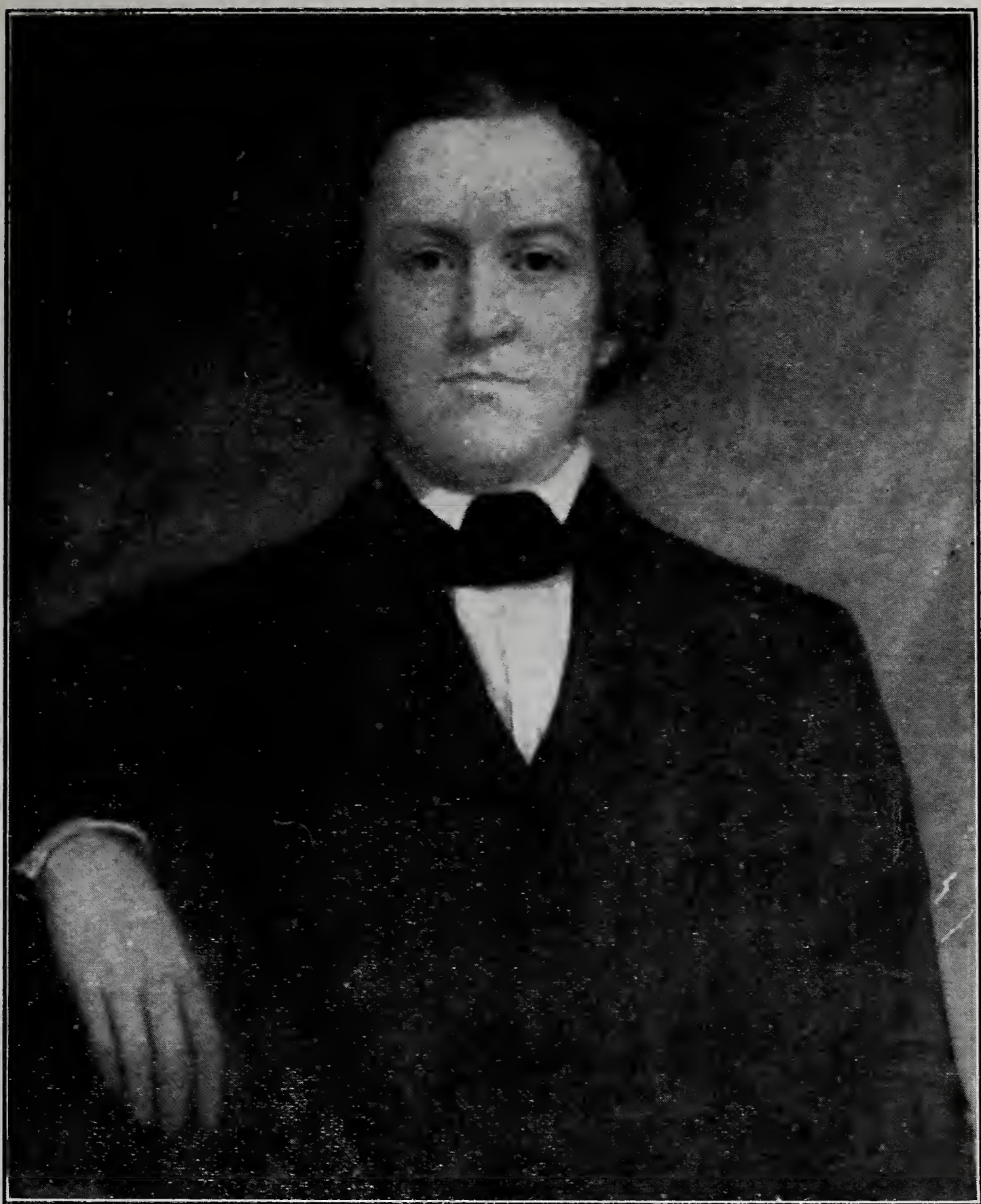
MARY W. BROWN, daughter of Dr. Preston W. Brown and Elizabeth Watts Brown. In 1830 she married her first cousin Orlando Brown, son of Hon. John (who built Liberty Hall) and Margaret Mason Brown. Portrait owned by Misses Anne H. and Mary Watts Brown, Frankfort, Kentucky.



ORLANDO BROWN (1801-1867), son of Hon. John and Margaret Mason Brown. In 1830 he married his cousin Mary W. Brown, daughter of Dr. Preston W. and Elizabeth Watts Brown. Portrait owned by Misses Anne H. and Mary Watts Brown, Frankfort, Kentucky.



ELIZABETH W. BROWN (1811-1886), daughter of Dr. Preston W. and Elizabeth Watts Brown. In 1831 she married Robert Wilmot Scott (1808-1884). Portrait owned by Miss Jennie S. Green, Falls of Rough, Kentucky.



JOHN PRESTON WATTS BROWN (1815-1850), only son of Dr. Preston W. and Elizabeth Watts Brown. He married Jane Ramsey Nichol, of Nashville, Tennessee. Portrait owned by Mrs. John P. W. Brown III, Nashville.



JANE R. NICHOL, wife of John Preston Watts Brown. Portrait owned by Mrs. John P. W. Brown III, Nashville, Tennessee.



LIBERTY HALL, Frankfort, Kentucky, built by Hon. John Brown in 1796, according to plans made by his friend Thomas Jefferson. It was owned and occupied by the Brown family until 1937, when it was purchased by Liberty Hall, Incorporated, and has since been open to the public because of its historic interest.



THE ORLANDO BROWN RESIDENCE, Frankfort, Kentucky. built in 1835, by Hon. John Brown as a home for his son Orlando. Gideon Shryock was the architect. It is owned and occupied by Misses Brown, granddaughters of Orlando Brown.



"SCOTLAND," Franklin County, Kentucky (built in 1840), home of Robert W. Scott and his wife Elizabeth W. Brown Scott, daughter of Dr. Preston W. Brown.



THE MAJOR HOME, Frankfort, Kentucky, erected by S. I. M. Major, Sr. (1830-1886), who in 1862 married Mary Brown Scott, daughter of Robert Wilmot Scott and Elizabeth Watts Brown Scott.

City. They were the parents of two children: Preston Brown⁷ and Mary Alice⁷. Preston Brown⁷ Scott was born in New York City, September 2, 1930, and died at Verona, New York, March 11, 1931; Mary Alice⁷ Scott was born at Montclair, New Jersey, January 2, 1932.

5. Rumsey Wing⁵ Scott was born September 3, 1876, in Louisville, Kentucky. He married in April, 1903, Eugenie Jefferson,⁴¹ daughter of Thomas and Eugenia Paul Jefferson, of Montclair, New Jersey. They had one child, (1) Thomas Preston⁶.

(1) Thomas Preston⁶ Scott was born June 6, 1907, and married Elizabeth Linn, of Glen Ridge, New Jersey, in 1932.⁴² They had two children: Peter Courtney⁷ Scott, born November 15, 1933, at Glen Ridge, New Jersey; Jane Campbell⁷ Scott, born July 20, 1937, at East Orange, New Jersey.

(2) JOEL T.⁴ SCOTT was born September 9, 1834, and died August 26, 1855, unmarried.

(3) DR. JOHN ORLANDO⁴ SCOTT was born June 10, 1837, at "Scotland," Franklin County, Kentucky. He married Ellen Melvin in Marion, Alabama, and resided there until after the Civil War, in which he served as a surgeon in the Confederate Army.⁴³ Upon returning to Kentucky he practiced medicine in Owensboro until 1878, when he and his family removed to Sherman, Texas, where he died in 1907. His four children were: 1, Louise Graham⁵, 2, Robert Wilmot⁵, 3, Preston Brown⁵, and 4, Stewart⁵.

1. Louise Graham⁵ Scott was born September 22, 1866, at "Scotland," near Frankfort, Kentucky. She was married on April 23, 1890, at Sherman, Texas, to Edward Joseph Perry, who was born March 31, 1860, in Montreal, Canada, and came with his parents to Texas in 1876.⁴⁴ He died March 20, 1923. They were the parents of five children: (1) Ellen⁶, (2) Melanie⁶, (3) Edward Joseph⁶, (4) Louise⁶, and (5) John Stewart⁶.

(1) Ellen⁶ Perry, born 1891, in Sherman, Texas.⁴⁵

(2) Melanie⁶ Perry, born 1893, in Sherman, Texas.⁴⁶

(3) Edward Joseph⁶ Perry, Jr., born December 17, 1897, in Houston, Texas.⁴⁷ He married Marjorie Lewis, July 30, 1921, and they had four children: E. J. Perry III⁷, born De-

cember 17, 1923; Judd Lewis⁷ Perry, born May 16, 1926; and twin daughters, Marjorie Louise⁷, and Mary Eleanor⁷ Perry, born July 30, 1931.

(4) Louise⁶ Perry was born December 15, 1900, in Houston, Texas, and died in 1908.

(5) John Stewart⁶ Perry was born March 2, 1912 and married Virginia Coombes, June 16, 1934.⁴⁸

2. Robert Wilmot⁵ Scott was born near Frankfort, Kentucky, February 28, 1869, and died in Sherman, Texas, in 1903. He had no children.

3. Preston Brown⁵ Scott was born in Owensboro, Kentucky, December 15, 1871.⁴⁹ He married Mamie Cotter in Houston, Texas, May 8, 1898. Their son, Preston Brown⁶ Scott, Jr., was born February 9, 1901 (unmarried).

4. Stewart⁵ Scott, resident of Austin, Texas (unmarried).

(4) MARY BROWN⁴ SCOTT, daughter of Robert Wilmot and Elizabeth Watts Brown³ Scott, was born June 16, 1839, at "Scotland," Franklin County, Kentucky, and died October 17, 1885, in Louisville. She was married on October 30, 1862, at "Scotland" to S. I. M. Major.⁵⁰ He was born September 14, 1830, at "Highland Home," Franklin County, Kentucky, and died June 20, 1886, at Frankfort. They were the parents of five children: 1, Robert Scott⁵, 2, Kate⁵, 3, Mary Elizabeth⁵, 4, Eleanora Green⁵, and 5, S. I. M. Jr.⁵

1. Robert Scott⁵ Major, born Feb. 23, 1864, died Sept. 3, 1865.

2. Kate⁵ Major, born Aug. 27, 1866, died April 14, 1867.

3. Mary Elizabeth⁵ Major, born July 17, 1868, died Sept. 9, 1872.

4. Eleanora Green⁵ Major, born Aug. 26, 1870, died July 15, 1871.

5. S. I. M.⁵ Major, Jr., was born September 4, 1877, at Frankfort, Kentucky. He was a graduate of the United States Naval Academy in 1899; Lieutenant Commander, United States Navy; retired 1922. He married on January 30, 1932, in Louisville, Kentucky, Mary Agnes Morton Willson, who was born in Richmond, Kentucky, April 18, 1889, the daughter of William Matthew and Agnes Hanna Willson, of Shelby County, Kentucky. No children.

(5) ELEANOR REBECCA⁴ SCOTT, daughter of Robert Wilmot and Elizabeth Watts Brown³ Scott, was born April 9, 1841, at "Scotland," Franklin County, Kentucky, and died March 9, 1896, at Falls of Rough, Kentucky. She was married in Frankfort on October 10, 1866, to Lafayette Green, farmer and mill-owner of Falls of Rough.⁵¹ He was born October 10, 1835, and died January 28, 1907. They had five children: 1, Elizabeth S.⁵, 2, Willis⁵, 3, Preston Scott⁵, 4, Jennie S.⁵, and 5, Robert W. Scott⁵.

1. Elizabeth S.⁵ Green, born Sept. 27, 1868, died Sept. 28, 1869.

2. Willis⁵ Green, born January 4, 1870, at Falls of Rough, died 1944, and was buried at Frankfort.

3. Preston Scott⁵ Green, born July 17, 1877, at Falls of Rough.

4. Jennie S.⁵ Green, born Sept. 26, 1879, at Falls of Rough.⁵²

5. Robert W. Scott⁵ Green, born August 30, 1882, at Falls of Rough, died in 1943, at Louisville, and was buried at Frankfort.

(6) ELIZABETH BROWN⁴ SCOTT, daughter of Robert Wilmot and Elizabeth Watts Brown³ Scott, was born May 5, 1843, at "Scotland," and died, unmarried, in Frankfort, in May, 1925.

(7) LOUISE RUCKS⁴ SCOTT was born May 23, 1845, at "Scotland," and died April 27, 1920, at Buffalo, New York.⁵³ She was twice married: first to Edward Rumsey Wing,⁵⁴ son of Samuel and Emily Weir Wing, of Owensboro, Kentucky; and secondly to her relative, Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, son of Dr. Robert J. and Sophonisba Preston Breckinridge. Colonel Breckinridge was born August 28, 1837, near Baltimore, Maryland; served as a Colonel in the Confederate Army, and died at Lexington, Kentucky, November 19, 1904.⁵⁵ There were no children by either marriage.

(8) SUSAN B.⁴ SCOTT was born in Franklin County, Kentucky, March 21, 1847, and died November 18, 1847.

(9) HENRIETTA REESE⁴ SCOTT was born July 20, 1849, at "Scotland," and died in September, 1929, at Buffalo, New York.

She was married in June, 1884, to David D. Mitchell, of St. Louis, Missouri, a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army, who was killed in action in the Philippine Islands in September, 1900. They had one daughter:

1. Henrietta Ingraham⁵ Mitchell, who was born September 25, 1885, at Fort Randall, North Dakota. She was married in Buffalo, New York, in October, 1922, to Burnett Pearson Wiley.⁵⁶ They had no children.

5. JOHN PRESTON WATTS³ BROWN, only son of Dr. Preston W.² and Elizabeth Watts Brown, was born November 29, 1815,⁵⁷ and died at Mansfield (at the residence of Colonel E. H. Foster) after a short illness, on May 2, 1850.⁵⁸ He married Jane Ramsey Nichol, of Nashville, Tennessee, and they were the parents of four children: (1) Eleanor⁴, (2) Preston⁴, (3) Elizabeth⁴, and (4) John Preston Watts⁴.

(1) ELEANOR⁴ BROWN married Samuel Perkins, Esq., of Nashville, Tennessee, in 1860. He died May 22, 1891. They were the parents of three children: 1, Ann Richardson⁵, 2, Preston⁵, and 3, Eleanor Jane⁵.

1. Ann Richardson⁵ Perkins was born February 7, 1864, and married Edward Leland Jordan, June 2, 1891. He died October 22, 1939. They were the parents of eight children: (1) Samuel Perkins⁶, (2) Eleanor Brown⁶, (3) Henry Williams⁶, (4) Edward L.⁶, (5) Nancy Perkins⁶, (6) Preston Perkins⁶, (7) Howell Hopson⁶, and (8) Margaret Hopson⁶.

(1) Samuel Perkins⁶ Jordan was born April 8, 1892, at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and married Hazel Harden Jordan, of Winnsboro, North Carolina, October 12, 1918.⁵⁹ They had three children: 1, Katherine⁷ Jordan, born January 20, 1922, at Winnsboro; Ella Hood⁷ Jordan, born July 27, 1928, at Winnsboro; Samuel Perkins⁷ Jordan, born July 23, 1931, at Nashville, Tennessee.

(2) Eleanor Brown⁶ Jordan was born May 9, 1894, at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and married J. Y. Crawford, September 11, 1924, at that place.⁶⁰ They had three children: William Haggard⁷ Crawford, born May 4, 1925, at Nashville; Eleanor Jordan⁷ Crawford, born June 10, 1927, at Nashville; James Young⁷ Crawford, born October 1, 1930, at Nashville.

(3) Henry Williams⁶ Jordan was born June 14, 1897, and married Mrs. Roberta Tucker Fisher, of Lexington, Kentucky, June 24, 1936.⁶¹

(4) Edward L.⁶ Jordan was born April 26, 1899, at Brentwood, Tennessee, and married Evelyn Tilford, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee.⁶² They had four children, all born at Murfreesboro: Nancy Perkins⁷ Jordan, born October 21, 1925; Edward L.⁷ Jordan, born September 25, 1926; Evelyn T.⁷ Jordan, born October 2, 1927; Richard M.⁷ Jordan, born August 31, 1929.

(5) Nancy Perkins⁶ Jordan was born September 14, 1901, at Brentwood, Tennessee, and married Elvis Reid, of Murfreesboro, in 1919. She died at Nashville, June 4, 1933. They had one child: Elvis⁷ Reid, born February 4, 1922, at Murfreesboro.

(6) Preston Perkins⁶ Jordan was born August 30, 1903, in Franklin, Tennessee, and married Mildred Henderson in Murfreesboro in 1930.⁶³ They had one daughter: Kate Ross⁷ Jordan, who was born in June, 1932, at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

(7) Howell Hopson⁶ Jordan was born June 10, 1905, at Brentwood, Tennessee, and married Mona Lynch, December 25, 1929, at Washington, D. C. He was a West Point graduate. They had two children: Howell Hopson⁷ Jordan, born February 4, 1935, in Hawaii; Mona Lynch⁷ Jordan, born April 7, 1937, at Fort Meade, Maryland.

(8) Margaret Hopson⁶ Jordan was born September 17, 1906, and married Byrd Douglas Cain, January 1, 1927, at Lebanon, Tennessee.⁶⁴ They had three children, all born at Nashville: Walter⁷ Cain, born June 12, 1928; Margaret Douglas⁷ Cain, born September 7, 1931; Byrd Douglas⁷ Cain, born August 14, 1933.

2. Preston⁵ Perkins, son of Samuel and Eleanor Brown⁴ Perkins, was born April 15, 1865, and died in 1891.

3. Eleanor Jane⁵ Perkins was born August 27, 1866, in Nashville, Tennessee, and married Dr. William Bailey, November 15, 1888. He died April 20, 1929. They were the parents of eight children: (1) William⁶, (2) Preston Perkins⁶, (3) James Edmund⁶, (4) Samuel Perkins⁶, (5) Ella Perkins⁶,

(6) John Brown⁶, (7) Robert Lusk⁶, and (8) Elizabeth Margaret⁶.

(1) William⁶ Bailey was born September 14, 1891, at Seattle, Washington, and married Edith Theodora Smith, April 20, 1919, at Newark, New Jersey.⁶⁵ They had four children: William⁷ Bailey, born March 24, 1922, at Norwalk, Connecticut; Charles Wurtenberg Smith⁷ Bailey, born March 26, 1924, at Birmingham, Alabama; Emlen McDougal⁷ Bailey, born August 11, 1927, in Birmingham; Ryburn Hancock⁷ Bailey, born in April, 1929, at Birmingham.

(2) Preston Perkins⁶ Bailey was born June 25, 1894, in Seattle, Washington, and married Etta M. Mons, October 8, 1921, at Hazelton, Pennsylvania. He died January 2, 1926, at Cleveland, Ohio.

(3) James Edmund⁶ Bailey was born February 7, 1896, at Seattle, Washington, and married Corinne Frazier, March 2, 1918, at Dallas, Texas.⁶⁶ They had five children: James Edmund⁷ Bailey, born October 5, 1919, at Denver, Colorado; Corinne Calhoun⁷ Bailey, born March, 1924, at Clarksville, Tennessee; Tyler Calhoun⁷ Bailey, born in February, 1926, at Clarksville; Ella Perkins⁷ Bailey, born July 27, 1927, at Clarksville; Marie Calhoun⁷ Bailey, born in October, 1931, at Clarksville.

(4) Samuel Perkins⁶ Bailey was born October 27, 1897, at Nashville, Tennessee, and married Anne Mary Gracey, June 22, 1932, at Franklin, Tennessee.⁶⁷ They had one daughter: Anne Carey⁷ Bailey, born September 14, 1938, in New York.

(5) Ella Perkins⁶ Bailey was born January 6, 1900, in Nashville, Tennessee.⁶⁸

(6) John Brown⁶ Bailey was born December 31, 1901, at Nashville, Tennessee, and married Elizabeth Walker, June 8, 1927, at Knoxville, Tennessee.⁶⁹

(7) Robert Lusk⁶ Bailey was born June 11, 1904, at Nashville, Tennessee.⁷⁰

(8) Elizabeth Margaret⁶ Bailey was born July 26, 1906.⁷¹

(2) PRESTON⁴ BROWN, son of John Preston Watts³ Brown and Jane Nichol, died in infancy.

(3) ELIZABETH⁴ BROWN, died in infancy.

(4) JOHN PRESTON WATTS⁴ BROWN was born May 16, 1845, and died December 4, 1896.⁷² He married Bessie Thompson, and they were the parents of four children: 1, George Thompson⁵, 2, Ella Perkins⁵, 3, John Preston Watts⁵, and 4, Samuel Perkins⁵.

1. George Thompson⁵ Brown, deceased.

2. Ella Perkins⁵ Brown, deceased.

3. John Preston Watts⁵ Brown was born November 1, 1874; married Annie Crockett, November 1, 1899; and died December 27, 1939. Nine children were born of the union: (1) John Preston Watts⁶, (2) Mary Elizabeth⁶, (3) Eleanor Ryburn⁶, (4) Robert Crockett⁶, (5) Bessie Thompson⁶, (6) Annie Crockett⁶, (7) William Bailey⁶, (8) Jane Ramsey⁶, and (9) Mary Watkins⁶.

(1) John Preston Watts⁶ Brown was born September 13, 1900, and married Catherine Barringer, June 19, 1926.⁷³ They had three children: Mary Anne⁷ Brown, born May 21, 1927; John Preston Watts⁷ Brown, born December 26, 1928; Lawrence Barringer⁷ Brown, born April 16, 1934.

(2) Mary Elizabeth⁶ Brown, died in infancy.

(3) Eleanor Ryburn⁶ Brown was born May 20, 1903, and married Robert Franklin Rives, February 22, 1925.⁷⁴ They had four children: Eleanor Margaret⁷ Rives, born November 23, 1925; Anne Elizabeth⁷ Rives, died in infancy; Mary Jane⁷ Rives, born July 30, 1928; Robert Franklin⁷ Rives, born August 28, 1929.

(4) Robert Crockett⁶ Brown, died in infancy.

(5) Bessie Thompson⁶ Brown was born September 1, 1906, and married Dr. Willard Oakes Tirrell, August 24, 1929.⁷⁵ They were the parents of two children: Willard Oakes⁷ Tirrell, born January 13, 1931; John Brown⁷ Tirrell, born October 15, 1933.

(6) Annie Crockett⁶ Brown was born November 17, 1908, and married Robert David Herbert June 21, 1932.⁷⁶ Their three children are: Robert David⁷ Herbert, born August 19, 1933; John Brown⁷ Herbert, born September 9, 1935; Thomas Crockett⁷ Herbert, born February 2, 1939.

(7) William Bailey⁶ Brown was born August 21, 1910, and married Harriette Hoffman, September 29, 1933.⁷⁷ They had

two children: William Bailey⁷ Brown, born May 3, 1935; Thomas Hoffman⁷ Brown, born March 16, 1938.

(8) Jane Ramsey⁶ Brown was born September 2, 1912, and married Joshua Henry Ambros, June 8, 1938.⁷⁸

(9) Mary Watkins⁶ Brown was born January 26, 1915, and married James Foster Cook, June 4, 1938.⁷⁹

4. Samuel Perkins⁵ Brown, married Lena Garland Snow,⁸⁰ and they had three children:

(1) Samuel Perkins⁶ Brown.

(2) Charles⁶ Brown.

(3) Peggy⁶ Brown.

FOOTNOTES

The superior numbers from one¹ to eight⁸, when given with a name, indicate generation. Other superior numbers run from one to eighty and refer to the footnote bearing that number.

¹ Notation dated January 1, 1812, in Rev. John Brown's Bible, now in possession of Mrs. W. O. Tirrell, Jr., 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee. Note states "Alexander is now alive and remarkable for his piety altho between 90 and 100 years of age. He is the only survivor of James' family."

² William Henry Foote: *Sketches of Virginia, Historical and Biographical*, Second Series, 1855, pages 94-96.

³ Orlando Brown: *Memoranda of the Preston Family*, Frankfort, 1842, page 5. Also John Mason Brown: *Memoranda of the Preston Family*, Frankfort, 1870, page 20. Also Bayless E. Hardin: "The Brown Family of Liberty Hall," in *The Filson Club History Quarterly*, April, 1942, page 75.

⁴ Foote's *Sketches of Virginia*, 1855, page 97.

⁵ Foote's *Sketches of Virginia*, first volume, 1850, page 441.

⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷ Foote's *Sketches of Virginia*, 1855, page 99. Also *History of Rockbridge County, Virginia*, by O. F. Morton, 1920, page 247. Rev. John Brown appears on the Tax Books of Woodford County, Kentucky, February 10, 1798, having two white males over the age of 21 years in his family (himself and, perhaps, son, Preston W.), 10 slaves and 7 horses. The Tax Books of the county for the year 1797 are not extant, but he is not listed in 1796, or earlier. (Tax Books of the various counties of Kentucky on file at the Kentucky State Historical Society, Frankfort.)

⁸ William E. Railey: *History of Woodford County, Kentucky*, Frankfort, 1928, page 77.

⁹ Rev. John Brown's Bible.

¹⁰ *Preston Family*, by Brown, (1842), page 5; (1870), page 20.

¹¹ Rev. John Brown's Bible.

¹² *Preston Family*, by Brown. Also "The Brown Family of Liberty Hall," by Hardin.

¹³ Rev. John Brown's Bible: notation of death July 4, 1799.

¹⁴ *Preston Family*, by Brown, (1842), page 5. Notation in Bible of Rev. John Brown lists him as dead July 4, 1799.

¹⁵ *Preston Family*, by Brown.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*

¹⁷ *Ibid.*

¹⁸ Listed as dead in Rev. Brown's Bible, July 4, 1799.

¹⁹ *Ibid.*

²⁰ Liberty Hall Academy, one of the first "Log Colleges," and the first classical school west of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The original school was established by Rev. John Brown, and was continued under his care for many years. There is no evidence that he ever acted as tutor, however. The school was located in the New Providence neighborhood. It was later moved to Timber Ridge, and subsequently to Lexington, Virginia. It was known as Mt. Pleasant Academy. The name was changed: to Liberty Hall in 1776; in 1782 to Mulberry Hill (one mile northwest of Lexington); in 1798 to Washington Academy; and in 1812 to Washington College. After the Civil War it became Washington and Lee University. (Morton's *History of Rockbridge County, Virginia*; and Foote's *Virginia Sketches*.)

²¹ "Know all men by these presents that we Preston Brown and Edward Watts are held and firmly bound unto James Monroe Ezq., Governor of the State of Virginia, in the sum of \$150 to which payment we bind ourselves our heirs Exors. &c Jointly severally and firmly by these presents. Sealed and dated this 13th day of October, 1802.

"The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound Preston Brown and Elizabeth Watts of this county. If therefore there will be no lawful cause to obstruct the same then this obligation is to be void otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

"Preston Brown (SL)

"Edwd Watts (SL)

"Teste, John Alexander, D. C.

"A Copy Teste, C. W. Woodson, Clerk

"I do hereby certify that it is with my entire approbation a marriage is to take place between Preston Brown and my daughter, Elizabeth, and the clerk of the County is requested to issue license accordingly.

"Mary Watts

October 13, 1802

A copy Teste:

C. W. Woodson, Clerk."

"Teste

"Thomas T. Scott

"Edwd Watts

²² Colonel William Watts was the son of Arthur Watts, of Prince Edward County, Virginia. He was born in 1740, and died in 1797 at "Flat Creek," Campbell County, Virginia, where he was buried. His children were Elizabeth Watts, who married Preston Brown; Edward Watts, who married Elizabeth Breckinridge; Alice Watts, who married Judge Fleming Saunders; and Mary Watts, who married Richard Morris. Colonel William Watts' will, recorded in Book 1, page 344, Campbell County, Virginia, follows:

"In the name of God amen, I William Watts of Campbell County being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

"First I subject my Estate to the payment of my just debts. Secondly I direct that my estate shall be kept together for the support and education of my children, that my negroes and personal estate together with my funded debt be equally divided among *all my children*, the girls when they arrive at the age of *eighteen* years or *Marry* and my *son Edward* when he arrives to the age of twenty one years. I give and bequeath to my loving wife *Mary* during her natural life the house and plantation whereon I now live with twenty good Negroes and after her death I direct that the said house and plantation be divided among my daughters or sold at the discretion of my executors, and the money equally divided among my daughters.

"I give and bequeath to my son Edward all my lands in the County of Bottetourt to him and his heirs forever he is not to have possession of the said lands in Bottetourt

in less than fourteen years from this date. In case of the death of either of my daughters under the age of eighteen years or unmarried I direct that their interest or share in my Estate shall be equally divided among my other daughters.

"I give my wife during her life all my household furniture and all the stock that is at present on the plantation on which I now live in Campbell County.

"I appoint my loving wife Mary, my brother John Watts, my son Edward Watts and Thomas T. Scott my executors.

"Witness my hand and seal this nineteenth day of December one thousand Seven hundred and ninety seven.

Signed, Sealed, Published &
delivered in presence of us.

Wm Watts (LS)

"Ja Steptoe

William Callaway

"Robert Austin

John Callaway"

"At a Court held for Campbell County, February the 12th, 1798. The within last will and Testament of William Watts, Gent, deceased, was proved by the oath of James Steptoe and William Callaway and by the solemn affirmation of John Callaway, three of the witnessed whose names are thereunto subscribed and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of John Watts and Thomas T. Scott, two of the executors in the said will names who made oath thereto according to law, Certificate is granted them for obtaining probate thereof in due form, giving security, whereupon they together with William Henderson, James Steptoe, Thomas Scott and Samuel Scott their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of *fifteen thousand pounds* conditioned according to law for the said executors due and faithful administration of the said descendants estate and performance of his will. Liberty being reserved the other executors in the said will named to join in the probate thereof when they shall think fit.

"Teste Ro. Alexander, C. C. C.

"A. Copy teste.....Clerk."

²³ Mary Scott Watts was the daughter of Colonel Thomas Scott, of Prince Edward County, Virginia, a soldier and Burgess from that county, 1769-1777. Two of her brothers were officers in the Revolutionary War, Colonel Charles Scott and General John B. Scott. Her sister, Martha Scott, married Ralph Flippen.

²⁴ "Sumners Forest" was one of the noted farms of Woodford County, located seven miles from Versailles on the Lexington road. It was a land grant to Jethro Sumners, of North Carolina. The tract was purchased in 1795 by Senator John Brown, of Frankfort, after which he brought his father and mother, the Rev. John and Margaret Brown, to Kentucky from Virginia, and domiciled them on the estate. Rev. Brown deeded the property to his son, Dr. Preston Brown, who held it in his possession until his death, after which it was sold to his kinsman, David Carlyle Humphries, son of Dr. Alexander Humphries and Mary Brown, of Virginia, she being a daughter of Rev. John Brown. (Railey's *History of Woodford County, Kentucky*, page 78.) Rev. John Brown's deed of his property to his son, Preston Brown, recorded in Deed Book C, page 534, Woodford County, Kentucky, follows:

"Know all men by these presents that I John Brown of Woodford County and State of Kentucky for and in consideration of a bond executed to me by Preston Brown of Woodford County & Kentucky State for the annual payment of one hundred Dollars the receipt of which bond I do hereby acknowledge I have given granted & sold & by these presents grant bargain and sell unto the said Preston Brown his heirs assigns Executors all my household & kitchen furniture, farming utensils, waggon & team, cows, hogs & sheep now in my possession twelve negroes Dennis & Joe Lucy and her offspring Phoebe and her two female Children & those she may hereafter have, Jenny and her offspring to him and his heirs etc forever, reserving the use of one girl named Jenny and one boy named Isaac during the term of my life, also reserving the use of the house & property if I should think proper giving proper credits for the same on the annual bond executed to me by the said P Brown, all & every of the above property I do warrant & defend to the said Preston & his

heirs and assigns forever. In testimony I bind myself my heirs etc for the true performance in the sum of one thousand pounds Kentucky currency—Witness my hand and seal this thirty first of May one thousand eight hundred & two.

John Brown"

"Witness

"William Garrat

"William Elliott

Thus endorsed—"I have made a deed of gift of all my property to my son Preston reserving a power of living on it as I now do during my life. But if I should think proper to remove from this place I have left myself at liberty to take Jenny, Isaac, my horse & a bed to use during life & to demand 100 dollars per year during life. I have been making wills for 30 years but never was satisfied till now. June 3d, 1802
John Brown."

"At a court held for Woodford County the 2d day of August 1802, This bill of Sale was proved to be the Act and deed of the said John Brown, etc."

²⁵ Preston Brown is listed as Captain of a Rifle Company in Rockbridge County, Virginia, in 1797 (*Morton's History of Rockbridge County*, page 396). He appears on the Tax Books of Woodford County, Kentucky, for the first time on May 15, 1800, having in his family two white males over the age of 21 years (perhaps himself and father), 12 slaves and 6 horses. Comparing this listing with that of his father in 1798 and 1799 (Woodford County Tax Books) the number of slaves and horses are so nearly the same that it can be reasonably assumed that Rev. John transferred his property to his son, and became a member of his household.

Preston Brown is listed with this same taxable property on August 11, 1801.

He first appears with land on June 15, 1802, when he is listed with 500 acres on Clear Creek, which had originally been entered, surveyed, and patented in the name of Jethro Sumners, 12 slaves and 7 horses. Dr. Brown continued to be listed with this tract of land, with some slight variation of acreage, until his death. Some representative listings from the Woodford County Tax Books are as follows:

July 28, 1803; 560 acres on Clear Creek, 12 slaves, 4 horses.

May 18, 1804; 460 acres on Clear Creek, 13 slaves, 6 horses.

July 25, 1805; 400 acres on Clear Creek, 12 slaves, 13 horses.

July 14, 1810; 400 acres on Clear Creek, 25 slaves, 20 horses, one wheel carriage.

1816:—492 acres on Clear Creek, 31 slaves, 12 horses, and one four-wheel carriage. The land was valued at \$18.00 per acre.

²⁶ After 1818 Preston Brown is listed on the Tax Books of Franklin County, moving to Frankfort, perhaps, to enjoy a better practice of his profession. He is not recorded on the Tax Books of Woodford and Franklin County in 1817 and 1818, but in 1819 he is listed in the latter county as having the 492 acre tract on Clear Creek in Woodford County, 28 slaves, 8 horses, and one four-wheel carriage. Consecutive listings in Franklin County run as follows:

1820:—352 acres in Woodford County on Clear Creek, 24 slaves, 5 horses, and one four-wheel carriage.

1821:—352 acres in Woodford County on Clear Creek, 24 slaves, 5 horses, and one four-wheel carriage.

1822:—8 slaves, 1 horse, one carriage; 1st School District, or Precinct. In 1822 Dr. Brown also appears on the Tax Book of Woodford County, having 492 acres in that county, 700 acres in Jefferson County, and 300 acres in Butler County.

Tax Books of the various counties with which he was associated in land holdings do not show him in 1823, but in 1824 he is listed in Franklin County with 500 acres on Clear Creek in Woodford County, 700 acres on the Ohio River in Jefferson County, 300 acres on Green River in Butler County, and 50 acres in Warren County.

He does not appear on the available tax books of 1825, but in 1826 he is listed in Franklin County with 500 acres in Woodford, 700 in Jefferson, 150 in Butler, and 50 in Warren.

In 1827 the Preston W. Brown Estate, J. Brown, Executor, is listed on the Tax Book of Jefferson County:—850 acres on the Ohio River, 16 slaves, 4 horses.

²⁷ Jefferson County, Kentucky, Will Book 2, page 329:

"I Preston B. Brown of Louisville, Kentucky, do make and ordain the following as my last will and testament.

"It is my will and desire that my estate both real and personal be equally divided amongst my children. I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Brown Executrix and my brother John Brown Executor of my estate and I direct that they take the management of my estate into their hands and manage the same as they may deem proper and that no kind of security shall be required of them as Executrix and Executor as aforesaid. I further direct that no public Sale shall be made of any of my property. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 22d day of September 1826.

"Preston W. Brown (Seal)

"Signed, Sealed & delivered

"In presence of John Jones

David Sewell

John Speed Jr.

Robert K. Moore

"State of Kentucky. At a county court held for Jefferson County in the State aforesaid at the Court in Louisville on the Second day of October one thousand eight hundred and twenty six.

"The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Preston W. Brown deceased was produced in court and proved to be such by the oaths of John Speed Jr. and David Sewell two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and thereupon the same was established by said court to be the last will and testament of the said Preston W. Brown deceased and ordered to be recorded and is recorded.

"Teste

"Worden Pope, Clk."

²⁸ "Died in Nashville, Tennessee, on the 11th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, relict of Dr. Preston Brown, formerly of Frankfort." *Kentucky Yeoman*, Frankfort, May 25, 1843.

²⁹ *Historical and Biographical Sketches of Bolivar County, Mississippi*. Sellers and Sparkman.

³⁰ *Who's Who in America*, 1912.

³¹ *Who's Who in America*, 1916 to date.

³² *Preston Family*, by Brown.

³³ Dates from tombstones, Frankfort Cemetery.

³⁴ *Ibid.*

³⁵ *Ibid.*

³⁶ J. Stoddard Johnston, *Memorial History of Louisville* (From its First Settlement to the Year 1896) 2 Vols. Biographical sketch of Dr. Preston Brown Scott, Vol. 2, pages 444-446.

³⁷ Dates from tombstones, Frankfort Cemetery.

³⁸ Dr. Preston Brown Scott lived in Louisville successively at: Fifth, near York; Center and Walnut (across from Jefferson County Armory, where there is now a gas filling station); 732 Fourth (where Bourne and Bond now have a store—now numbered 640); south side of St. Catherine (on alley on east side) between Third and Fourth; Third Street, adjoining Norton Memorial Infirmary (where nurses home now is) until 1891, when he built a house on the west side of Third between Park and Magnolia, in which he lived until his death in 1900. (See also Dean Richard L. McCready's *History of Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, Kentucky*, 1937.

³⁹ Engineer and Manufacturer; residence 57 Union St., Montclair, New Jersey. For biography see *Who's Who in America*.

⁴⁰ Insurance Broker, New York City; residence 731 North Broadway, Yonkers, New York.

⁴¹ Granddaughter of Joseph Jefferson, actor, famed for the role of Rip Van Winkle which he long played; also daughter of Thomas Jefferson, actor.

⁴² Architect; residence Montclair, New Jersey.

⁴³ Appointed Assistant Surgeon C. S. A., November 27, 1862. With Byrne's Battery at Shiloh; later with Cobb's Battery, joining 2nd Regiment at Murfreesboro; afterwards assigned to post duty; 1864, Forest's Command. (See J. Stoddard Johnston's *Memorial History of Louisville*, Vol. 1, page 204.)

⁴⁴ His father, Edward Perry, was born in Montreal, Canada, in 1838, and married Melanie Bronette. E. J. Perry was a commission merchant, and later a broker, in Houston, Texas, where he moved in 1896, and lived until his death.

⁴⁵ Teacher; residence, Houston, Texas.

⁴⁶ Catholic Nun; convent near Chicago.

⁴⁷ Residence, Houston, Texas.

⁴⁸ *Ibid.*

⁴⁹ Banker; Houston, Texas.

⁵⁰ Samuel Ire Monger Major—the middle name being a corruption of an ancestral Welsh name, Eyremongre. He was educated at B. B. Sayre's School in Frankfort; was editor of the *Yeoman*, Frankfort; State Printer; and Mayor of Frankfort for many years. His residence was on the southeast corner of Ann and Mero streets.

⁵¹ Part of farm once owned by George Washington, and part by Judge Benjamin Sebastian, who lived there in retirement after the exposure of his participation in the Spanish Conspiracy.

⁵² Residence, Falls of Rough, Kentucky.

⁵³ Dates from tombstones, Frankfort Cemetery.

⁵⁴ Lawyer; U. S. Minister to Ecuador.

⁵⁵ Biography, Kerr's *History of Kentucky*, Vol. 3, page 18.

⁵⁶ Residence (1939), 71 Lancaster Ave., Buffalo, New York.

⁵⁷ Bible, in possession of Mrs. W. O. Tirrell, Jr., 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee.

⁵⁸ *Ibid.*

⁵⁹ Residence, Punta Gorda, Florida.

⁶⁰ Residence, 214 Kenner, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁶¹ Residence, 4209 Park Ave., Nashville, Tennessee.

⁶² Residence, Sulphur Springs Road, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

⁶³ Residence, 21 Belvoir Ave., Chattanooga, Tennessee.

⁶⁴ Residence, Madison, Tennessee.

⁶⁵ Engineer; residence, 1415 Ardly Place, Gore Park, Birmingham, Alabama.

⁶⁶ Residence, R. F. D. 2, Clarksville, Tennessee.

⁶⁷ Residence, 96 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, New York.

⁶⁸ Residence, 111 23rd Ave., North, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁶⁹ Residence, Westwood, Knoxville, Tennessee.

⁷⁰ Residence, R. F. D. 2, Clarksville, Tennessee.

⁷¹ Address, 111 23rd Ave., North, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁷² Bible in possession of Mrs. W. O. Tirrell, Jr., Nashville, Tennessee. He was named Josiah Nichol Brown, and the name changed to that of his father, after the father's death.

⁷³ Residence, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

⁷⁴ Residence, Old Hickory, Tennessee.

⁷⁵ Residence, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁷⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷⁷ Electrical engineer; residence, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁷⁸ Residence, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁷⁹ *Ibid.*

⁸⁰ Residence, 314 E. 178th St., the Bronx, New York, N. Y.

